

**Mount Vernon Master Plan**  
**Transportation & Parking Committee**  
**June 7, 2012**

**Meeting Minutes:**

1. Meeting Goal: To establish the guiding principles of the Transportation Element of the Mount Vernon Master Plan
2. DOT presented Mt Vernon weekday utilization survey from consultant working on Parking Study
  - a. Parking conditions reviewed included
    - i. Residential Permit Parking
    - ii. Metered parking
    - iii. Unrestricted parking
    - iv. Rush hour restricted parking
    - v. Loading zones (bus, truck, passengers)
    - vi. Bus stops
  - b. Some inaccuracies/mistakes on the survey and on the map were noted
    - i. DOT will notify the consultant of those inaccuracies, with changes to be made for June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting
3. Guiding Principles
  - a. Traffic
    - i. Residential streets should carry car volumes that encourage livability
      1. Set a benchmark of no more than 7,500 vehicles per day
    - ii. Traffic should encourage local navigability
      1. Avoid one-way streets when possible
      2. Convert some streets to two-way
  - b. Lighting
    - i. Should be historic in nature and pedestrian oriented, at a human scale
  - c. Streetscaping
    - i. Should encompass shade/trees planting, uniformity
      1. At two different levels, commercial and residential
    - ii. Should be easy to maintain
    - iii. Should promote storm water management opportunities and bike parking
  - d. Parking
    - i. Should focus on Residential needs
      1. RPP with a 24 hour restriction
    - ii. Should have a minimal impact on the neighborhood
    - iii. Should accompany successful commercial streets
  - e. Transit
    - i. Transit routes through the heart of Mount Vernon should serve Mount Vernon residents, patrons, and visitors
    - ii. Should attract discretionary riders (choice riders)  
Should negatively impact as few people as possible
    - iii. Suggested improvements to the Charm City Circulator
      1. Relocate southbound on Cathedral
      2. Increase its frequency

4. Next Steps

- a. The next meeting of the Transportation & Parking Committee has not been scheduled at this time, although the meeting time will be publically announced at the June 19<sup>th</sup> General Meeting and notification will be emailed to all Committee members